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WORLD AFFAIRS

SUMMARY. *Korean truce negotiators failed to reach goal of Christmas Week armistice.*
Libya became independent nation.
U.S. offered to ransom 4 AF men fined in Hungary.
Western Allies abolished limits on Italian armed forces.
UN committee upheld U.S. aid to East European anti-Reds.

Domestic News. *Nationwide steel strike canceled.*
Harold E. Stassen entered GOP Presidential race.
Judge Thomas Murphy rejected corruption-cleanup post.
Senators accused AF, Army of wasting manpower, supplies.
Living costs reached record high.
119 coal miners died in Illinois mine blast.

CHRISTMAS

1950 Turmoil Holds. Troubles which beset the world a year ago—war in Korea, an East-West arms race for supremacy in Europe, strife in the Middle East—still prevailed as another Christmas was observed Dec. 25. Highlights of the day:

Korea's 2d war Christmas found actual fighting almost at a standstill because of snowstorms at the front and the truce talks in Panmunjom. American troops ate turkey dinners and many attended services conducted near the battlefront by Francis Cardinal Spellman, New York Roman Catholic Archbishop. Communists planted yule stockings filled with cheap gifts & propaganda leaflets where patroling GIs would find them.

Pres. Truman flew home to Independence, Mo. Dec. 24, pressed a gold telegraph key in his Independence living room to light the Christmas tree on the White House lawn in Washington. His recorded Christmas broadcast said: "The victory we seek is the victory of peace." Free nations are fighting in Korea "not for plunder, not to rule the lives of captive people" but "are proving, by deeds, that man is free and must remain free, that aggression must end, that nations must obey the law." He warned that "we still have a long struggle ahead of us before we can reach our goal." [See p. 377K; Vol. X, 416C]

Pope Pius XII's Christmas message Dec. 24 took the West to task for "spiritual anemia" and denounced communism. He said the West "loves to call itself the 'free world'" but does not uphold "true freedom" because it tolerates the practice & advocacy of immorality. Western youths, he said, are often "prematurely disillusioned . . . weary, skeptical (&) incapable of taking any interest in public & social life." He said lasting peace can be established only by a "society of nations" dedicated to "the Christian order." An "armed peace" enforced by fear of the "monstrous cruelty of modern weapons" cannot last, he warned, because it would exhaust the world. [See pp. 383D, 319P]

King George VI of Britain said in his annual Dec. 25 broadcast: "We are living in an age which is often hard & cruel, and if there is anything that we can offer to the world today perhaps it is the example of tolerance & understanding that runs like a golden thread through the great & diverse family of the British Commonwealth of Nations." The King had recorded his broadcast with considerable difficulty due to his recent lung operation. His voice was hoarse & weak. [See p. 406E-F]

Archbishop Aloysius Stepinac's first Christmas mass outside prison in 6 years attracted an overflow congregation of 2,000 persons to his Church of the Holy Trinity in Krasic, Yugoslavia. He called upon Christians to make greater sacrifices in defense of their faith, said "too many Christians today are sitting at full tables near warm stoves." [See p. 386H]

Bethlehem was still an Arab-occupied city near the Jordan-Israeli armistice line. Only 3,000 Christian pilgrims, as against the customary 20,000 in prewar years, made their way through Jordanian & Israeli outposts to visit its Church of St. Catherine and Grotto of the Nativity on Christmas Eve.

In the U.S. many persons combined weekend & Christmas holidays Dec. 22-25. Chicago & the north-central states had heavy snow & ice storms. Accident toll for the 4 days was a high record for Christmas: 856 persons killed, including 555 in traffic accidents. [See p. 416L, P; Vol. X, 413C-414A]

KOREA

No Truce at Deadline. The UN & Red truce teams in Panmunjom failed to reach an armistice agreement by midnight Dec. 27. That nullified the Nov. 27 agreement on a Korean cease-fire line but did not break up the armistice conference. Meetings were scheduled to continue Dec. 28 with subcommittees still debating how to enforce a cease-fire and arrange for an exchange of war prisoners. Neither group made much progress this week. [See pp. 401K-402B]

Reds Hint 50,000 Prisoners Died. Red members of the war prisoner subcommittee offered an accounting Dec. 26 for 726 more missing Americans. But North Korean Maj. Gen. Lee Sang Cho implied Dec. 27 that 50,000 missing UN troops will have to be marked dead from wounds, disease & exposure. When U.S. Rear Adm. R. E. Libby demanded a "complete prisoner of war list" before the UN considers an all-for-all prisoner exchange, Lee replied that "climate & illness" may have determined the fate of prisoners the Reds have not accounted for.

The Reds gave this partial accounting Dec. 26 for 1,058 Americans they have said were prisoners but did not name on their list of 3,198 Dec. 18: 571 died after their capture (many, they said, in UN air raids), 152 escaped, 3 were released. The Reds said they were checking the 332 others among the 1,058.

The UN told the Reds Dec. 22 that 37,000 South Koreans found among Red war prisoners will not be returned to North Korea. Many others held by the UN do not want to be returned to the Reds, UN negotiators said. The Communists were invited to send observers to Pusan to check the accuracy of the UN's screening of prisoners.

The 2 sides agreed Dec. 23 to exchange mail for prisoners.

The South Korean Govt. said Dec. 24 that 117,361 ROK civilians are missing or known to have been abducted by the Reds. South Korea demanded that the Reds account for civilian as well as military prisoners. [See p. 401C-J]

Dean Interview Reported. An interview Dec. 21 in a Pyongyang prison camp with Maj. Gen. William F. Dean, U.S. Army 24th Division commander, was related to UN newsmen in Panmunjom Dec. 23 by Wilfred Burchett, Australian correspondent for the Paris Communist newspaper *Ce Soir*. He exhibited a pic-

ture of himself with Dean, who looked cheerful but considerably aged. Dean's wife said in Berkeley, Calif. when she saw the picture: "That's my husband, all right."

Burchett said Dean related: He lost 60 lbs. while evading capture near Taejon July 19-Aug. 25, 1950. He was betrayed to the Reds by 2 South Koreans whom he asked for help because he was injured and had been without food for 20 days. He had saved a bullet with which to commit suicide rather than be captured but his betrayers prevented him from shooting himself. He was first taken north to Pyongyang, then to the Yalu River area during the Red retreat in Oct. 1950, returned to Pyongyang after the Reds recaptured it last December. He has been fed better than his guards, has achieved "restoration of my health" while a prisoner. Burchett praised him as "a soldier of the old school" because Dean said he expected no better fare than a North Korean officer of his rank and proposed that his rations of eggs "go to the sick & wounded." [See p. 401C-D]

Doubt Reds Can Attack. The Reds have been unable to mass enough supplies for another major ground offensive in Korea because of the UN's aerial bombing & strafing campaign of the past 131 days, Lt. Gen. O. P. Weyland, U.S. Far East AF commander, said in Tokio Dec. 27. He said the air campaign (Operation Strangle) has "shattered the enemy's rail transportation in North Korea . . . probably cost him about 40,000 trucks . . . prevented him from massing supplies" for a new drive. [See pp. 402C, 337J]

U.S. casualties through Dec. 22 (reported Dec. 26) totaled 103,418 (17,670 killed). [See p. 402D] . . . **Congressional Medal of Honor** awards: (Dec. 20) Posthumously to Army Sgt. 1/C Junior D. Edwards of Indianola, Ia. for suicidal attacks with hand grenades on enemy gun positions Jan. 2. (Dec. 22) Posthumously to Army Sgt. Charles R. Long of Kansas City, Mo. who called for a UN mortar barrage on his own observation post in order to wipe out enemy troops surrounding him. [See p. 402E] . . . **Promoted** to lieutenant general: (Dec. 20) U.S. 5th AF commander Frank F. Everest [see p. 162K]. (Dec. 23) U.S. Army First Corps comdr. John W. (Iron Mike) O'Daniel. [See 234D]

MIDDLE EAST

Libya Freed. Libya, which UN economic experts say is the poorest country in the world, became the independent United Kingdom of Libya Dec. 24. The former Italian colony is the first nation freed entirely under auspices of the UN.

The pro-western King of Cyrenaica, Mohammed Idris el Senussi, assumed the Libyan throne as King Idris I in Bengasi Dec. 24 and proclaimed the independence of the new Moslem federation of Cyrenaica, Tripolitania & Fezzan. Britain & France, which have shared in the administration of Libya since Italy lost it in World War II, have transferred power to King Idris' Govt. The Libyans adopted a Constitution & formed a government under the guidance of a UN commission set up in Dec. 1949 by the UN Gen. Assembly.

King Idris' Govt. is letting U.S., British & French forces remain in Libya pending negotiation of a Libyan defense pact with the West. (The U.S. has an air base at Wheelus Field near Tripoli. Britain ordinarily maintains a brigade of troops in Libya although it has shifted all but one battalion of the Libyan garrison to the Suez trouble zone. France has 3 airstrips & a company of troops in Fezzan.) The present Libyan regime faces strong opposition from an anti-Western Natl. Congress Party in Tripolitania, most populous Libyan state. Tripolitanians were angry because Natl. Congress leader Beshir Bey Sadawi was forbidden to make an Independence Day speech. His party hopes to win control of the country in elections set for Feb. 22.

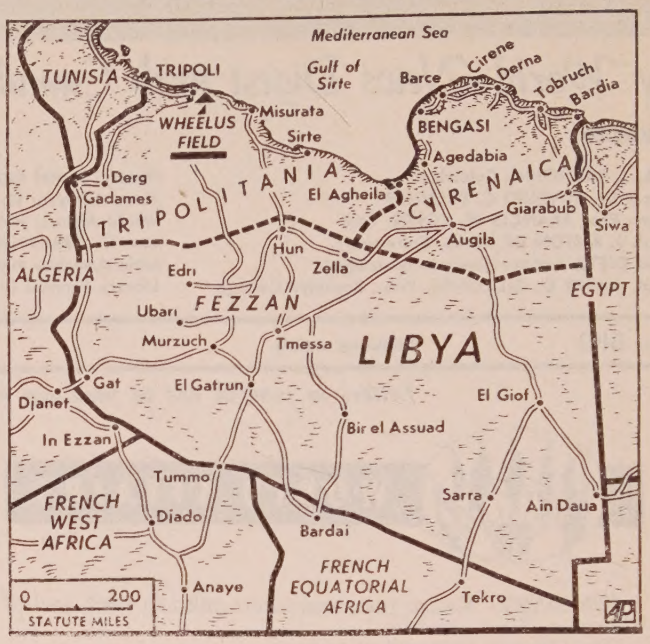
Libya's freedom was greeted by Pres. Truman with a message extending the U.S.' "hand of friendship" to the new country. Libya expects an immediate $1 million cash gift and continuing economic aid from the Western countries. It applied Dec. 24 for membership in the UN & these specialized agencies: World Health Org., Food & Agriculture Org., UNESCO, Intl. Labor Org. It is also expected to join the Arab League. Libyan Cabinet:

Premier, Forgn. Min.—Mahmud Muntasser
Defense—Ali Jerbi
Health—Mohammed Bey Othman
Justice & Education—Fathi Kekhid
Public Works & Communications—Ibrahim Bey Sheiban

Other facts on Libya: Has only 1,175,000 inhabitants for area of 1,100,000 sq. mi. (mostly desert). Population concentrated along Mediterranean coast with 800,000 in Tripolitania, 325,000 in Cyrenaica, 50,000 in Fezzan. Impoverished country has per capita income of only $30 a year. Principal products: barley, wheat, figs, date palms, tobacco, olive oil, salt, tuna, sponge. Tripoli (pop. 125,000) & Bengasi (65,000) will be alternate capitals.

Turks ruled Libya from 16th century to 1911. Italians ousted Turks 1911-12, held Libya until Britain, U.S. & France drove German & Italian forces out in 1942-43. Italy signed away Libya under World War II peace treaty. UN Assembly decided Nov. 21, 1949 Libya should receive independence by Jan. 1, 1952. [See p. 406H; Vol. IX, 378G]

World's Newest Free Nation



Wide World

Map shows United Kingdom of Libya, former Italian colony made independent under UN auspices Dec. 24. 3 member states: Tripolitania & Cyrenaica, whose Mediterranean coastal areas contain most of Libya's population (British-administered since World War II); Fezzan, interior desert area, under French since World War II. Some maps show Cyrenaica's western boundary extending southward through Sahara Desert to French Equatorial Africa via Zella, Bir el Assuad & Bardai. U.S., British & French forces, including USAF units based at Wheelus Field, will remain in Libya to insure its defense. [See also Middle Eastern map p. 339]

Farouk Favors Pro-Westerners. King Farouk of Egypt apparently split with Premier Mustapha el Nahas Pasha's Cabinet this week over the Cabinet's refusal to join an anti-Communist defense alliance sponsored by the West. Farouk appointed 2 advocates of a Western alliance to high court posts Dec. 25: Hafez Afifi Pasha as chief of his personal Royal Cabinet and Amb.-to-Britain Abdel Fattah Amir Pasha as his adviser on foreign affairs. Student riots against the King's appointees caused the closing Dec. 26 of Fuad & Mohammed Ali Pasha Universities in Cairo & Farouk U. in Alexandria. The Cabinet announced Dec. 26 that the King's choice of personal ministers had no effect on its policies. [See pp. 404B, 371J, L]

Suez Violence. The British imposed a dusk-to-dawn curfew Dec. 21 in Ismailia, Suez Canal Zone trouble center. 50 Fuad U. students left Cairo after a ceremony Dec. 20 for what they called the Canal Zone "front." They vowed to carry on guerrilla warfare against the British. 5 Egyptians were killed during an attempt Dec. 20 to sabotage a waterworks plant in Suez City. The Egyptian Interior Ministry said Dec. 26 that "partisans" had succeeded in blowing up British railroad tracks & water mains near there. [See p. 404C]

Iranian Oil to Reds. Britain rejected Dec. 22 the Iranian 10-day ultimatum for ordering oil and Iran followed up with a deal to sell oil to Czechoslovakia. The Czechs announced in Teheran Dec. 26 they would buy 500,000 tons of refined oil from Iran and "large" additional quantities of crude oil for refining in Czech plants. The Iranians said Russian & Polish tankers will be used

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to transport oil to Czechoslovakia. Meanwhile Iran announced Dec. 26 it has turned down an Intl. Bank plan for settlement of the Anglo-Iranian dispute because the Bank proposed rehiring of British oil technicians and the sale of Iranian oil to Britain at special low rates. [See pp. 395P-396E]

Premier Mohammed Mossadegh appealed Dec. 22 to the Iranian public to buy $10 million worth of national bonds the next 2 months to stall off Govt. bankruptcy. Iran Dec. 25 recalled 26 diplomats, including the Ambassadors to London, Rome & New Delhi, for lack of foreign exchange to support them abroad. Dr. Henry G. Bennett, U.S. Point 4 aid chief who was killed in a plane crash while en route to Iran Dec. 22, was said to have hoped to induce Mossadegh to accept $23 million worth of U.S. technical aid—thus far shunned by Iran so as not to rile the Russians. [See pp. 416M, 404D, 387G, 371E]

Iraq Dec. 25 nationalized the Khanaquin and Rafidian oil companies, subsidiaries of the British-owned Anglo-Iranian Oil Co. They will continue to use British technicians until Iraqis are trained as replacements. [See p. 387F]

EUROPE

Hungary Offered Ransom for Airmen. The U.S. State Dept. announced Dec. 26 it would pay $120,000 in fines imposed on 4 captured USAF fliers in Hungary to secure their release. Hungary's Washington Legation said Dec. 26 the offer had been accepted, but the Budapest Govt. backed down Dec. 27 and told the U.S. it was still "considering" the offer. It was believed that Hungary was waiting for Russia to approve the deal.

Hungary announced Dec. 23 (day after the U.S. asked Moscow to see that the fliers were released) that the 4 men had been fined $30,000 (360,000 florins) each by a military court. Hungary also confiscated their plane. It said the men admitted they "violated the Hungarian border near Guyla" Nov. 19, the day their C-47 cargo plane was forced down in Hungary by Soviet fighters while en route from Vienna to Belgrade.

Hungary said the airmen offered no "satisfactory explanation" of why they carried maps of USSR territory, "superfluous numbers" of parachutes, a radio transmitter & bundles of blankets. Their mission, Hungary charged, was to drop supplies to "spies and diversionists active in the people's democracies." The 4 imprisoned airmen: Capt. David H. Henderson, pilot, of Shawnee, Okla.; Capt. John J. Swift, co-pilot, of Glens Falls, N.Y.; T/Sgt. Jess A. Duff, crew chief, of Spokane, Wash.; Sgt. James A. Elam, radioman, of Kingsland, Ark. [See p. 386L, 371C]

When newsmen asked Pres. Truman Dec. 24 what he intended to do about the fliers' imprisonment, he responded, "What can you do?" Robert A. Vogeler of New York, IT&T official ransomed from Hungarian imprisonment in April, started a drive Dec. 25 to raise $120,000 to pay the fines. By Dec. 26 he had received $30,000 worth of cash pledges and enough fund-raising promises to insure a fund of $200,000 or more. He discontinued the drive after the State Dept. announced it would pay the fines. The American Legion said Dec. 26 it was willing to pay the full $120,000 but it denounced State for not taking vigorous retaliatory action against Hungary. Many members of Congress demanded diplomatic & economic retaliation against Hungary. Sen. Tom Connally (D., Tex.), Senate Forgn. Relations Com. chairman, said Dec. 27 the U.S. should sever all relations with Hungary. Sen. Styles Bridges (R., N.H.) called State's offer to pay the fines "weak-kneed groveling." Sen. Wayne Morse (R., Ore.) wanted an airing of the incident in Senate hearings.

State's announcement Dec. 26 of its offer to ransom the men said it was the "primary policy of the U.S. Govt to seek their release." U.S. officials said no American representatives had been allowed to visit the fliers during their imprisonment. U.S. Min.-to-Hungary Christian M. Ravndal said Dec. 23 the Hungarian announcement they had been tried was a "complete surprise" to him. [See p. 402L]

Rumanian Spy Case. 4 Rumanians convicted by military court of spying for the U.S. have been executed by firing squad and a 5th suspect killed himself by swallowing a poison capsule, Rumania announced Dec. 27. It said the U.S. recruited the 5 at a DP camp in Italy, trained them in spy schools in Italy & West Germany. [See pp. 371C, 302N]

Italian Arms Limits Abolished. World War II peace-treaty restrictions on the size & type of Italian armed forces were repudiated Dec. 21 by the U.S., Britain, France, Holland, Belgium, Greece, New Zealand, China, Brazil & South Africa. Canada took similar action Dec. 26. A U.S. note to Italy declared that the U.S. now regards these treaty clauses as nonexistent: (1) the preamble's treatment of Italy as a defeated nation; (2) clauses binding Italy to maintenance of democracy; the U.S. said these provisions are now "superfluous" because of the high degree of democracy in Italy; (3) clauses limiting the Italian armed forces to 250,000 men and denying them atomic weapons, battleships, jet planes & heavy ground equipment. Italy had submitted a formal request to the U.S. Dec. 8 for modification of the treaty. The step taken by the U.S. & its 10 allies is opposed by the Soviet bloc. [See pp. 394K-L, 322N-P]

Stalin's Birthday. Soviet Premier Joseph Stalin's 72d birthday Dec. 21 was observed with little fanfare in the USSR although satellite countries made it the occasion for appeals for greater industrial production. Stalin Peace Prize awards of 100,000 rubles ($25,000) each were announced in Moscow for: Mrs. Monica Felton, British novelist who reported on U.S. & British "atrocities" after she visited North Korea; German novelist Anna Seghers; Italian Left Socialist leader Pietro Nenni; Brazilian Communist author Jorge Amado; Kuo Mo-jo, Chinese Academy of Sciences president; Ikuo Oyama, Japanese Socialist professor formerly of Northwestern U. (Chicago). [See pp. 415F, 321K, 142J]

UNITED NATIONS

U.S. Upheld on Anti-Red Aid. Russia's demand that the UN ask the U.S. to revoke its Mutual Security Act because the act provides for aid to East European foes of communism was rejected 39-5 by the UN Gen. Assembly's Political & Security Com. in Paris Dec. 21. Russia, White Russia, Ukraine, Czechoslovakia & Poland voted for the anti-MSA resolution. Afghanistan, Burma, Egypt, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Iran, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Syria & Yemen abstained. Soviet Forgn. Min. Andrei Y. Vishinsky made a final appeal to the committee Dec. 21 to vote for outlawing the "aggressive" U.S. aid program. Rep. Mike Mansfield (D., Mont.) reiterated that the U.S. does not intend to use MSA funds for revolutionary activity inside Communist countries. Delegates of many countries accused Russia of having tried to promote Red revolutions in non-Communist countries. Nationalist China's Dr. Tingfu F. Tsiang said the Soviets have set fire "to the houses of China, Korea, Indo-China, Malaya & the Philippines." [See p. 402L-M]

Eastern Exiles Score Russia. The Central & Eastern European Conf. (hq. Washington) appealed to the UN Assembly Dec. 23 for action against Russia under the genocide convention because the Reds are executing a "preconceived plan to destroy systematically the peoples of Czechoslovakia, Estonia, Hungary, Poland, Latvia, Lithuania & Rumania." [See p. 379J]

(Harry N. Rosenfield, U.S. Displaced Persons Commissioner, said in Vienna Dec. 21 that "the West must do something about the problem of escapees from the Soviet satellites, who are coming over to us at the rate of 1,600 a month." He said new refugees from the Soviet sphere are not properly cared for in West Europe.) [See pp. 363C, 307J-K]

Budget Approved, Recess Taken. The full Assembly voted 40-5 Dec. 21 for the 1952 UN budget of $48,096,789, then the Assembly & its committees went into recess until Jan. 2 because of the Christmas-New Year holidays. The U.S. abstained to protest its 36.9% assessment, reminded the Assembly it is bearing most of the cost of the Korean war. The Soviet bloc voted against the budget because its levies have been increased (USSR's up from 8.14% to 11.49%). [See p. 403J-K]

Kashmir. Dr. Frank P. Graham told the Security Council Dec. 21 that he made some progress but failed to obtain complete agreement between India & Pakistan on Kashmir plebiscite arrangements during new talks the past 6 weeks. He reported a "more hopeful atmosphere," said the main question remaining is how to demilitarize Kashmir by clearing it of Indian & Pakistani troops. [See p. 363A]

Pacific islands under U.S. trusteeship were given more rights of local government this year, the U.S. reported to the UN Dec. 25. It said the islands' 55,730 natives are "fast coming of age in the modern world" but their economy is far from self-sustaining. The islands produced $346,327 in revenues as against a U.S. expenditure of $7,556,509 on their administration. [See p. 220F] . . . **Viet Nam** (French Indo-China) applied for admission to the UN Dec. 20. [See p. 220D] . . . **Japan's** admission to the Economic Comm. for Asia & the Far East as an associate member was proposed to the UN Economic & Social Council by Pakistan Dec. 21. [See pp. 370L-M, 99D] . . . **World Health Org.** opened in Rotterdam Dec. 21 the first international center for venereal-disease control among seamen. [See p. 351N] . . .

Collier's use of the UN emblem in illustrations in its Oct. 27 "World War III" issue has been protested by the UN Public Information Dept., it was revealed Dec. 22. The magazine showed U.S. occupation troops in Russia wearing UN as well as American insignia. [See p. 338D]

NATIONAL AFFAIRS

THE PRESIDENT

(See also pp. 409D, 410F-G, 411D-E, 412E, G-H, 413D)

Stassen to Run. Ex-Minn. Gov. Harold Edward Stassen, 44, U. of Pa. president, announced in Philadelphia Dec. 27 that he will run for the Republican Presidential nomination. He is the 3d avowed candidate. He offered a program to deal with the U.S.' "4 principal threats": corruption, inflation, "internal strife" & communism. He proposed "a modern gold standard" for the dollar and taxes limited to 10% on low incomes, 50% on big ones, said he would work to "defeat communism without a world war." He said in Washington earlier that his recent talks with Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower in Paris had a "direct bearing" on his decision to run. [See p. 355N]

Press Critics Assailed. White House Press Secy. Joseph Short criticized as "a detestable slander" & "wholly false" parts of a resolution criticizing Pres. Truman's information security order which was adopted by Sigma Delta Chi, journalism fraternity. The fraternity released Short's letter Dec. 21. Short objected to a section that said: "The order duplicates . . . practices of totalitarian states which, as among their first steps, seized control of the channels of communication & information to the people which they later enslaved." [See p. 404F]

Appointed. David D. Lloyd, 40, N.Y. lawyer, & David E. Bell, 32, economist, as $15,000-a-year Presidential administrative assistants Dec. 22. Both were White House staff members.

White House Press Secy. Joseph Short announced in Kansas City Dec. 26 that Russia has approved the selection of George F. Kennan, 47, as U.S. Ambassador to the Soviet Union. *Pravda* assailed Kennan Dec. 26 as a supporter of anti-Soviet organizations. It named specifically the Ford Foundation's East European Fund, which Kennan headed until Nov. 23. [See p. 380G]

Donald W. Nyrop's tenure as CAB chairman was extended through 1952 Dec. 26. [See p. 347G]

INVESTIGATIONS

Murphy Rejects Clean-Up Job. U.S. Dist. Judge Thomas F. Murphy, who had indicated he would accept Pres. Truman's proposal that he head a commission to clean up corruption in Govt., has changed his mind and will not serve, Washington reports said Dec. 21. Reasons believed responsible for this decision include: (1) views of Judges Learned & Augustus Hand and others that judges should not accept temporary administrative assignments; (2) inability to get the men he wanted for the proposed commission; (3) lack of power by the commission to subpena witnesses or cite for contempt; (4) fear that the commission might be used as a cover-up for the Administration in the coming political campaign; (5) possibility that he would jeopardize his career as a judge. [See p. 404H-J]

Other Clean-Up Proposals. Chrmn. Emanuel Celler (D., N.Y.) of the House Judiciary Com., in New York Dec. 24, offered Pres. Truman his committee's services for the corruption clean-up [see p. 188J]. Ex-Chrmn. Estes Kefauver (D., Tenn.) of the Senate Crime Investigating Com. proposed this anti-corruption plan Dec. 21: (1) adopt a bill he will introduce to put tax collectors under civil service, (2) create a Fed. Crime Comm. and a commission on Govt. ethical standards and (3) publish fees paid lawyers & others by firms doing business with the Govt. [See p. 357B] Sen. A. S. Mike Monroney (D., Okla.) said Dec. 24 he will offer a bill to put tax collectors under civil service, ban interference by members of Congress in tax law enforcement, publish names of all who try to influence RFC loans and deny retirement benefits to anybody convicted of breach of trust in a Govt. job [see pp. 229P, 124L]. A solution offered by Sen. Charles W. Tobey (R., N.H.) Dec. 26: "Revive the whipping post." [See p. 214L]

Truman Withholds SEC Report. Asst. White House Press Secy. Irving Perlmeter announced Dec. 21 that Pres. Truman will not release a 1943 SEC report on the defunct Empire Ordnance Co. as requested Dec. 12 by Sen. Richard M. Nixon (R., Calif.). Perlmeter said copies of the report and files on the SEC investigation have been transferred from the SEC to the White House. Roosevelt Memorial Library officials in Hyde Park, N.Y. confirmed that they also have a copy but refused to make it public. The N.Y. *Herald Tribune* reported Dec. 16 that "2 Chicagoans who have been linked publicly with the alleged financial operations of the old Capone gang originally helped to finance and jointly owned 15% of the stock" of Empire Ordnance. They are: Alexander Louis Greenberg, alleged "financial genius" of the Capone "syndicate" and legal owner of the syndicate's Canadian Ace Brewing Co. (formerly Manhattan Brewery); John A. Roberts, the brewery's president. They got control of one of Empire Ordnance's chief affiliates, the Vulcan Iron Works of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., last year. [See p. 397F]

RFC Developments. The UP reported Dec. 22 that RFC directors "were in such a hurry to act on" the 1949 Stutts Lumber loan urged by Rep. Frank W. Boykin (D., Ala.) that they flew an examiner to Alabama to bring back the application and approved it 2 days later. (Ex-RFC Dir. William E. Willett resigned as assistant to Navy Undersecy. Francis P. Whitehair Dec. 22.) [See p. 404L-M]

The RFC turned over $16,345,812 in profits to the Treasury Dec. 24. This raised its total for the year to more than $95 million, including $75 million from synthetic rubber, tin and war assets. It had 11,000 business loans totaling $606 million outstanding June 30. 231 loans totaling $2,159,255 were written off as losses during fiscal 1951. Total business loans since it started in 1934: 62,000 for $4.9 billion of which $2.4 billion was actually disbursed, $64,300,000 written off as "unrecoverable." [See pp. 237B, 19K; Vol. X, 378L]

Tax Probe. Henry W. Grunewald, who had demanded a chance to testify at a public session of the House Ways & Means subcommittee investigating the tax bureau, answered no questions at a closed session Dec. 20 and refused, on his attorney's advice, to answer questions at a public hearing Dec. 21. He was subpenaed to appear again Feb. 13. Sen. Alexander Wiley (R., Wis.) said Dec. 24 that in 1942-43 Grunewald worked as a $22.22-a-day special assistant to the then Alien Property Custodian Leo T. Crowley. Crowley said he did not remember him. [See p. 405A, C] . . . Narcotics Comm. H. J. Anslinger revealed Dec. 19 that he has recommended prosecution of Lipe Henslee, ousted Internal Revenue Collector at Nashville, on narcotics charges. Henslee admitted using drugs, denied being an addict. [See p. 341L] . . . Mrs. Mary A. Cook, 30, ousted clerk in the Syracuse, N.Y. federal tax office, & Joseph F. Cook, 33, her husband, who resigned as a Veterans Admin. clerk, were indicted by a federal grand jury in Utica, N.Y. Dec. 20 on charges of embezzling $20,000 by filing fictitious tax returns requiring refunds. [See p. 380J] . . . Martin O. Hanson, 63, resigned Dec. 20 after only 4 months as $9,600-a-year supervisor of the N.Y. Alcohol Tax Unit. [See p. 227K]

Alien Property Reports. Reports by Asst. Atty. Gen. Harold I. Baynton, director of the Justice Dept.'s Alien Property Office, to Sen. Alexander Wiley (R., Wis.) revealed Dec. 7-21: (1) Louis A. Johnson received $243,969 as a director of the Govt.-seized Gen. Aniline & Film Corp. and president of its sales subsidiary, Gen. Dyestuff Corp., 1942-49 before he became Defense Secy. His law firm, Steptoe & Johnson, got $346,016 in fees from the 2 firms. Other law firms & individuals got even more. Highest: $853,600 to E. H. Halbach, Gen. Dyestuff counsel & ex-president [see pp. 342H, 194N; Vol. IX, 77N]. (2) William Siskind, brother of ex-Democratic Natl. Chrmn. William M. Boyle's former law associate, received $77,000 for handling alien property cases. (3) $110,136 from the Govt.-seized Schering Corp., Bloomfield, N.J. pharmaceutical manufacturer, went to 4 former Alien Property Office officials: ex-director Donald C. Cook, ex-general counsel Raoul Berger, Irving Jurow, Morrison G. Tucker. Robert E. Waterman, ex-patent consultant to the Alien Property Custodian, became a Schering vice president, got $182,482. [See pp. 256L, 238J; Vol. X, 179J]

ARMED FORCES

Waste Charged. The Senate Preparedness Subcom. accused the Air Force Dec. 7 & the Army Dec. 25 of wasting manpower & supplies. It said all the services were guilty of waste profoundly endangering "the finances of the nation." At one AF base surplus coffee was used like sawdust to sweep messhalls. Army units were criticized for "valueless repetition" of training and wasting

skilled men on unskilled jobs. It questioned the value of the many golf courses in the U.S. & abroad. Service spokesmen denied widespread waste. They said golf courses were paid for from post exchange profits, not tax money, were justifiable on morale grounds. Hanson W. Baldwin reported in the N.Y. *Times* Dec. 18 that a reason for waste & inefficiency, particularly in the Army, was "fantastic personnel turnovers, ranging in some cases to as much as 90 to 200% in a year."

Previous subcommittee criticism has resulted in quick action by the Army & Agriculture Dept. to standardize food specifications and end waste caused by 2 standards, Subcom. Chrmn. Lyndon B. Johnson (D., Tex.) said Dec. 23. [See p. 373B]

A House Expenditures subcommittee on military procurement asked Dec. 24 why the Army & Navy issue 5½ pages of specifications in buying ping pong balls, 4 for dog toenail clippers. The Defense Dept. & Price Stabilization Office announced Dec. 23 that they are forming a watchdog committee to check on prices charged the armed forces. [See p. 397J-K]

Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd, 55, was sworn in Dec. 21 as 20th commandant of the Marine Corps. [See p. 356A-B] . . . **Clay Bedford,** ex-Dep. Defense Production Administrator, was appointed special assistant to Defense Secy. Robt. A. Lovett as a production expediter Dec. 18 . . . **300,000 4-Fs** rejected for mental reasons will be reexamined to see if they can be inducted under lowered admission standards, Selective Service Hq. announced Dec. 20. [See pp. 180K, 196E] . . . **Civil Defense Admin.** asked states Dec. 22 to enroll 17½ million civilian volunteers. It estimated needs at 1,500 for each 10,000 persons in "critical target areas," 720 for each 10,000 in bordering districts. [See p. 405N] . . . **Mobilization plans** under which hundreds of commercial 4-engine planes will be put under the Military Air Transport Service on 48 hours' notice for military use in case of emergency were announced by Defense Secy. Lovett & Commerce Secy. Chas. Sawyer Dec. 17 . . . **House Armed Services subcommittee** began closed hearings Dec. 19 on Maj. Wm. V. Holohan's death in Italy during World War II. [See p. 269F]

LABOR

Steel Strike Canceled. The Wage Policy Com. of the CIO United Steel Workers canceled a scheduled Jan. 1 strike Dec. 27 and put the decision on striking up to a special convention which opens in Atlantic City Jan. 3. Pres. Truman had referred the dispute to the Wage Stabilization Board Dec. 22 and urged the industry & union to keep producing. He said in Independence, Mo. Dec. 24 that he would use any law on the books to avert a walkout because it would injure national defense. Mr. Truman got the case Dec. 21 after Fed. Mediation Dir. Cyrus S. Ching gave up on it. Price Stabilizer Michael V. DiSalle had reported to Economic Stabilizer Roger L. Putnam Nov. 28 that steel profits were high enough to absorb a "reasonable" raise without increasing prices. His economists estimated 1951 steel earnings at $2.6 billion before taxes or $1.2 billion higher than the figure used to determine ceiling prices for the industry. But industry spokesmen said the OPS estimates were "meaningless" and the situation has changed since they were made. The industry boosted operations to a record 105% of rated capacity during the week Dec. 17-22 in order to increase the backlog in case the strike starts. [See p. 405J]

Pay Developments. WSB action: Removed wage ceiling limits on health & welfare programs Dec. 22 but imposed new limits (however, any plan to which employes contribute at least 40% of the gross cost will get automatic approval); approved Dec. 26 a 6.2% raise won by the AFL Sailors Union of the Pacific [see pp. 342D, 309J]; approved 15¢ hourly raises for 25,000 workers at Kennecott Copper Co., Phelps-Dodge Corp., American Smelting & Refining Co. and 9 smaller firms Dec. 6 and 10,000 employes of Anaconda Copper Co. and subsidiary Anaconda Wire & Cable Co. Dec. 10 [see p. 365N]; ordered Dec. 6 a 13¢ hourly cut in pay rates at Avco Mfg. Co.'s new jet engine plant near Bridgeport, Conn. but allowed 7¢ restored as a cost-of-living increase. Emil Rieve, president of the CIO Textile Workers & a WSB member, castigated the WSB in Boston Dec. 8 for its "unrealistic approach" to pay problems. He urged the Massachusetts CIO to disregard the WSB. [See p. 141E]

Raises announced: 5¢ to 10¢ hourly (subject to WSB approval) by Westinghouse Electric Corp. Dec. 21 to 43,000 members of the CIO Intl. Union of Electrical Workers and 5,500 of the AFL Intl. Bro'hood of Electrical Workers [see p. 181K-L]; 3.58% (2½% subject to WSB approval) by Gen. Electric Dec. 7 to 44,000 members of the independent United Electrical Workers (same terms as already won by the IUE and other unions) [see p. 326H-J]; 6¢ hourly Dec. 21 for 5,000 Swift & Co. employes represented by the AFL Meat Cutters & Butcher Workmen (this broke the united front of AFL & CIO unions in bargaining with the Big 4 packers) [see p. 61G-H]; $2 to $4 a week by the N.Y. Telephone Co. to 18,000 members of the Telephone Traffic Union (ind.) Dec. 19. [See Vol. X, p. 324G]

Labor Secy. Maurice J. Tobin reported Dec. 20 that about 20 million U.S. wage-earners or about 45% of the total failed to get pay increases fully compensating for the 10.1% cost-of-living rise between Jan. 1950 & June 1951. Most were non-unionized and white-collar workers. [See p. 366A] . . . The CIO urged Pres. Truman Dec. 16 to raise the minimum wage from 75¢ an hour to $1.25. [See p. 365P] . . . Salaries of the Govt.'s 1,004,624 "full-time" employes average $3,954 a year, the Civil Service Comm. reported Dec. 9. [See p. 341H]

Job Picture. Michigan appealed for federal aid Dec. 21 to help ease unemployment, especially critical in the Detroit area. Sen. Blair Moody (D.) & Gov. G. Mennen Williams urged a halt in auto cutbacks. [See p. 390N] . . . The Coast Guard Dec. 18 eased security regulations against hiring alien officers for U.S. merchant vessels in order to end a manpower shortage tying up ships. "Approved" aliens may be signed as 2d & 3d mates and engineering officers after Jan. 17 under rules similar to those of World War II. [See p. 260H]

Strike Leader Slain. Lowell Simmons, business agent of a CIO Textile Workers local that struck the Bemis Bag Co. Oct. 30, was shot to death in Bemis, Tenn. Dec. 24. Cecil Cook, a back-to-work leader, was arrested on murder charges.

Labor Press. The *Wall St. Journal* reported Dec. 22 that the U.S. has more than 800 labor publications claiming circulation of 16 million, readership of 30 million. *Labor,* national weekly of 16 railway unions, claims 750,000 circulation, largest paid readership of the nation's labor press. [See p. 397M]

CIO reported Dec. 22 that its net worth was $1,477,963 Sept. 30, up $422,522 in 12 months. Income for the year was $4,193,683; expenditures $3,771,160, including $879,261 for the Southern organizing campaign. The CIO said Dec. 9 that it was contributing $100,000 to a $700,000 pool of the Intl. Confed. of Free Trade Unions to be used to build strong unions in underdeveloped parts of the world. [See pp. 365P, 318M] . . . **Wm. L. Hutcheson,** 77, announced Dec. 18 that he will retire Jan. 1 as president of the 803,000-member AFL Bro'hood of Carpenters. He will turn over his post to his son, First Vice Pres. M. A. Hutcheson. [See Vol. VII, pp. 399P, 353J] . . . **Sidney Hillman Foundation** $500 writing awards were presented in New York Dec. 15 to N.Y. *Times* labor correspondent A. H. Raskin, N.Y. *Post* labor columnist Murray Kempton, Dr. Jas. H. Means of MIT for *Atlantic Monthly* articles and John Hersey for his novel *The Wall.*

COMMUNISTS

Lie Detection. The N.Y. *Times* reported Dec. 20 that 4 federal agencies are using the polygraph or lie detector on a small scale as part of their security programs. They are the Atomic Energy Comm., which uses it to check applicants for secret jobs at Oak Ridge, Tenn. but not at other atomic installations; the Central Intelligence Agency; the State Dept. (only on demand of an employe suspected of wrongdoing), and the Defense Dept. (only in testing persons in the armed forces accused of being criminals). Oak Ridge personnel in key jobs must take the test periodically. Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R., Wis.) said Dec. 21 every Govt. official and every employe in a "sensitive" job should take the lie detector test and all applicants or candidates should be required to do so. [See p. 405D-E, G]

Urges Law Change. The Civil Service Comm. asked Congress Dec. 20 to amend existing law to make the 260 federal hearing examiners subject to procedures established by Pres. Truman's Executive Order governing disloyalty cases. At present they can be dismissed only on evidence of disloyalty. [See p. 405D-E]

William L. Patterson, indicted secretary of the Civil Rights Congress who has accused the U.S. of genocide against Negroes, has refused to surrender his passport as demanded by the State Dept., it was reported from Paris Dec. 26. He is lobbying at the UN Assembly session. [See Vol. X, p. 386G]

N.Y. State Board of Regents decided Dec. 21 to establish a 3-man commission to check on subversive material in public school textbooks. It will act only on receipt of specific complaints. [See pp. 109K-L, 52E]

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Britain. Prime Min. Winston Churchill told Britons in a broadcast Dec. 22 the U.S. is not so generous with aid that it will "keep the British lion as a pet." He said Britain must put up with economic hardships for several more years "to make this island solvent, able to earn its living." [See p. 403M] . . . Adm. Sir Rhoderick McGrigor, 58, succeeded Adm. of the Fleet Lord Fraser as 1st Sea Lord, Chief of Naval Staff Dec. 20. [See 261A]

Canada. The Govt. reported Dec. 20 that November was a record month for Canadian exports. The total was $384.4 million as against $378.6 million last July, the previous record month. November imports totaled $326.6 million. The foreign trade deficit for Jan.-Nov. this year was $234.5 million. [See pp. 406C, 61P-62A] . . . An agreement between the Canadian Federal Govt. & Ontario to try to carry out St. Lawrence Seaway hydroelectric projects without U.S. participation was approved by the Senate in Ottawa Dec. 17. [See p. 244A] . . . Canadian Govt. employes, including members of the armed forces & mounted police, received 4%-14% pay increases Dec. 14. A Canadian private soldier now gets $152 a month including subsistence allowance. [See p. 93P] . . . The Trans Mountain Oil Pipe Line Co. was awarded a franchise Dec. 15 to build an $80 million oil pipeline from Edmonton to Vancouver via Yellowhead Pass in the northern Canadian Rockies. [See p. 358A] . . . Provincial election results: Premier Leslie Frost & his Progressive Conservatives won in Ontario Nov. 22, Premier Joseph R. Smallwood's Liberals in Newfoundland Nov. 27. [See p. 214H-J]

Czech Govt. announced Dec. 22 that Dr. Jaromir Dolansky, 56, a lawyer, has replaced Rudolf Slansky as Vice Premier. He was a prisoner of the Nazis in World War II, State Planning Office chairman since 1949. Jozef Pucik succeeded him as State Planning chairman. Otto Simuner succeeded Pucik as Chemical Industry Minister. Antonin Pozpibil replaced the late Alois Petr as Transportation Minister [see p. 389L]. Daphne Gregory Maynes, wounded British Embassy secretary, was expelled from Czechoslovakia Dec. 22. [See p. 402N] . . . **Finland** made a $254,052.18 payment on its World War I debt to the U.S. Dec. 13. The money goes to an education exchange fund. Balance of the debt is now $7,463,436.72. [See pp. 406F, 10E-F] . . . **Greek** Parliament voted 132-8 Dec. 22 for a new constitution under which the King may suspend rights of assembly & association in an emergency with Parliamentary approval. [See p. 406G] . . . **Hungary** denied Dec. 23 a BBC report that 80 Hungarian coal miners had been shot for organizing a work slowdown in the Tatabanya mines. [See p. 360P] . . . **Japanese** Cabinet changes by Premier Shigeru Yoshida Dec. 25: Tokutaro Kimura as Atty. General, Kozen Hirokawa as Agri. Minister, Giichi Murakami as Transportation Minister, Eishi Yoshitake as Labor Minister, Katsuo Okazaki as State Min. for American-Japanese Relations. [See p. 211J] . . . **Thailand's** Govt. disclosed Dec. 21 it has been recognized by all countries having diplomatic missions in Bangkok except Russia. In another Cabinet revision Dec. 9, Premier Pibul Songgram made these new appointments: Army Gen. Phin Chunhawan as Deputy Premier, Maj. Gen. Phra Boriphan Yuthakit as Finance Min., Luang Michit Vathakarn as Commerce Min. [See p. 389P]

Refugee population of the world now totals 30-60 million, the Natl. Geographic Society in Washington estimated Dec. 12. It cited these upheavals of populations, in addition to those occurring in World War II, as contributing to the present refugee problem: flight of one million White Russians & Armenians from the USSR, Greek-Turk exchange of large populations just after World War I; displacement of 50 million during Japanese invasion of Manchuria & China in the 1930s; Spanish Civil War in 1930s; post-World War II displacement of 12 million Hindus & Moslems, over 800,000 Arabs due to partitioning of India & Palestine. [See pp. 386F, 374P]

LATIN AMERICA

Argentina. "Descartes," *Democracia* columnist believed to be Pres. Juan D. Perón, said Dec. 20 that Argentina was ready to join a union with Brazil & Chile as a means of achieving economic greatness and surviving World War III. [See p. 382B] . . . The former national territory of Chaco, which became a province this year, will be renamed Presidente Perón, it was reported Dec. 21. . . . Perón has given management & labor leaders 60 days to balance wages & prices, it was reported Dec. 25. [See p. 382C] . . . Guillermo Gainza Paz, one of at least 30 prominent persons arrested following the Sept. 28 revolt, was released Dec. 19. His brother is former publisher of the expropriated newspaper *La Prensa*. [See pp. 398K, 325H-J]

Mexico. Baja (Lower) California became Mexico's 29th state Dec. 20 following Senate approval. Its capital: Tijuana. [See p. 390D] . . . The Senate Dec. 20 approved a bill authorizing payment of $12 million for the 1,600-mi. U.S.-owned Southern Pacific Railroad in Mexico. The sum is less than the line would bring as scrap, the Govt. said Dec. 21.

Venezuela. The Charter of the Org. of American States was ratified Dec. 22. [See p. 406K] . . . A Govt. and a private television transmitter will begin operating in Venezuela in 1952, it was announced Dec. 22.

Bolivia Dec. 23 exiled 15 rightwing extremists to Chile as a result of a recent "revolutionary plot." 20 remained in jail. [See p. 406L-M] . . . **Brazilian** Pres. Getulio Vargas signed a decree Dec. 24 raising minimum wages to a $45 a month average, a gain of 150%. [See p. 406M] . . . **Chilean** Pres. Gabriel Gonzalez Videla Dec. 22 persuaded 10 of the 12 ministers in his coalition Cabinet to withdraw their resignations of the day before submitted over a delay in adopting an electoral reform bill. Out: Education Min. Bernardo Leighton, Lands & Colonization Min. Ignacio Palma. [See p. 198N-P] . . . **Cuban** Gen. Genovevo Perez Damera, ex-Chief of Staff, was shot and wounded by 3 gunmen in Camaguey Dec. 24. . . . **Nicaraguan** Christmas present to taxpayers: order by Pres. Anastasio Somoza Dec. 25 abolishing more than 100 taxes & levies. [See p. 398N]

EDUCATION & RELIGION

Bias in Churches. Less than 1% of U.S. Christian congregations have mixed racial membership, Dr. Liston Pope, dean of Yale's Divinity School, said in Buck Hill Falls, Pa. Dec. 12. He spoke at a joint meeting of the Divisions of Home Missions and of Christian Life & Work of the Natl. Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. Politics, sports, education, unions and industry have done more to break down racial barriers than have the churches, he said. [See p. 207J-K]

Asian Christians Meet. Representatives of Christian churches in 14 nations of Asia met in Manila Nov. 25-Dec. 2, discussed means of fighting communism in Asia, condemned alleged Allied "cooperation with Shintoism" in Japan (the occupation authorities had banned the cult Dec. 15, 1945) and protested Pres. Truman's nomination of an Ambassador to the Vatican. Next meeting will be July 25-Aug. 2, 1953 in Karuizawa, Japan.

Methodist membership in U.S. & possessions (reported by the Rev. Albert C. Hoover in Chicago Dec. 7): 9,065,727, against 8,935,647 last year. [See Vol. X, p. 95N-P]

FINANCE & ECONOMICS

Record Living Costs. The BLS reported Dec. 21 that its cost-of-living index rose to a record 188.6% of the 1935-39 average Nov. 15, 10.8% higher than when the Korean fighting started and 2.6% above the level when price controls were imposed. Excise tax increase & higher prices of uncontrolled fruits & vegetables were largely responsible. 1¼ million rail workers will get 4¢ hourly raises under "escalator" pay contracts as a result. Retail food prices hit a record 234.5% of the 1935-39 average Nov. 26, 15% above the pre-Korea level. [See pp. 390K, 382H]

Rubber Curbs Relaxed. The Commerce Dept.'s Office of Intl. Trade announced Dec. 20 that output of general purpose synthetic rubber has increased enough to allow export of 10,000 tons in Jan.-March 1952. Production rose from 50,000 tons a month in April 1950 to 67,000 currently. The Natl. Production Au-

thority Dec. 14 ordered an end to production limits on tires & other rubber goods effective Jan. 1. Domestic users were authorized to buy all the general purpose synthetic they need but curbs on natural rubber will still keep its consumption to the current rate of 105,000 tons a quarter. [See p. 374F]

NEW BUSINESS EXECUTIVES

Organization	Executive	Post	Date
Adam Hat Stores, Inc.	Elias Lustig	Pres.[1]	Nov. 23
Aircraft Radio Corp.	Lewis M. Hull	Chrmn.[4]	Dec. 21
	Wm. F. Cassedy Jr.	Pres.	Dec. 21
American Assn. of Port Authorities	Henry W. Sweet of Savannah, Ga.	Pres.	Oct. 27
American Automobile Assn.	John E. O'Neill of Fresno, Calif.	Pres.	Oct. 25
American District Telegraph Co. (N.J.)	Edward F. Gaston	Pres.	Dec. 21
American Farm Bureau Fed.	Allan B. Kline	Pres.[2]	Dec. 13
American Society of Civil Engrs.	Carlton S. Proctor	Pres.	Oct. 24
B. F. Goodrich Chemical Co.	John R. Hoover	Pres.	Dec. 23
Grocery Mfrs. of America	Paul S. Willis	Pres.[2]	Nov. 14
Institute of Life Insurance	Robt. E. Henley of Va.	Chrmn.	Dec. 14
	Holgar J. Johnson	Pres.[2]	Dec. 14
Wm. Iselin & Co.	Jarvis Cromwell	Chrmn.[4]	Dec. 18
	Morton Goodspeed	Pres.	Dec. 18
Interstate Commerce Comm.	John L. Rogers	Chrmn.[3]	Dec. 12
Investment Bankers Assn.	Jos. T. Johnson of Milwaukee	Pres.	Nov. 30
Abbott Kimball Co., Inc.	Abbott Kimball	Chrmn.[4]	Dec. 16
	Wm. C. Matthews	Pres.	Dec. 16
Knott Hotels Corp.	Jas. Knott[5]	Pres.	Nov. 5
Life Insurance Assn. of America	Geo. L. Harrison of N.Y.	Pres.	Dec. 15
Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp.	Ralph E. DeSimone	Pres.	Dec. 5
Natl. Assn. of Mfrs.	Wm. J. Grede, 54, of Milwaukee	Pres.	Dec. 6
Natl. Assn. of Stevedores	Phineas B. Blanchard	Pres.	Nov. 12
Natl. Coffee Assn.	Edward Aborn of N.Y.	Pres.	Oct. 25
Natl. Grange	Herschel D. Newson	Master[2]	Nov. 19
Natl. Metal Trades Assn.	Chas. S. Craigmile	Pres.	Nov. 15
Natl. Municipal League	Henry Bruere of N.Y.	Pres.[2]	Nov. 26
Public Relations Soc. of Amer.	Thos. R. Carskadon	Pres.	Nov. 29
Revere Copper & Brass, Inc.	Jas. J. Russell	Chrmn.[4, 6]	Oct. 30
	Jas. M. Kennedy	Pres.	Oct. 30
Snellenburg's (Philadelphia)	Alfred Blasband	Pres.[7]	Oct. 24
Southern Pacific Co.	Donald J. Russell	Pres.[8]	Nov. 15
Sterling Engine Co.	Jos. W. Frazer[9]	Chrmn.	Oct. 24
Tea Bureau, Inc.[10]	Anthony Hyde	Pres.	Nov. 17
United Feldspar & Minerals	Mrs. Winifred L. Haag[11]	Pres.[12]	Nov. 7
Walworth Co.	W. B. Holton Jr.	Chrmn.[4]	Dec. 10
	Alfred J. Eichler	Pres.	Dec. 10
OUSTED			
Kingan & Co.	H. Frederick Willkie	Pres.[13]	Nov. 20
Missouri Pacific R.R.	Paul J. Neff	Pres.[14]	Nov. 27
RETIREMENT			
American Merchant Marine Institute	Frank J. Taylor, 68	Pres.[15]	Dec. 20

[1]Continues as chrmn.; succeeds Chas. V. Molesworth; see Vol. X, p. 127C-D [2]Reelected [3]Succeeds Walter M. W. Splawn, effective Jan. 1 [4]Switches from pres. [5]Son of Chrmn. David H. Knott [6]Succeeds C. Donald Dallas, who retired but continued as a director [7]Succeeds Arthur Bloch Sr. [8]Succeeds A. T. Mercier, who retires Dec. 31 [9]Chrmn. of Graham-Paige Corp., which bought 32% of Sterling's prior preferred stock [10]Represents India, Indonesia, Pakistan, Ceylon, British Africa growers [11]Widow of Maj. Francis E. Haag, founder of the company [12]Continues as chrmn. [13]Chrmn. W. R. Sinclair resumes control; see Vol. X, p. 403E [14]Dismissed by Chrmn. T. C. Davis for testifying before the ICC on reorganization plans in a manner Davis considered "detrimental" to the rail system [15]Effective on expiration of his term Feb. 5.

Russia. "Outstanding Russian scientists, apparently with the backing of the Communist Party," have repudiated as erroneous the Soviets' most widely-publicized "contribution" to nuclear physics, the *N.Y. Times* reported Dec. 24. This was the "discovery" of "varitrons" in cosmic rays for which the Armenian brothers Abram Isaakovich Alikhanov & Artyom Isaakovich Alikhanyan (the latter retained the Armenian spelling of his name) won a Stalin Prize in 1948. Foreign physicists had disproved the "discovery." [See Vol. VIII, p. 179J-K] . . . Alexander Fadeyev, 50 Dec. 24, received the Order of Lenin for *The Young Guard*, a Stalin Prize novel he was ordered to rewrite in 1947 in order to show the Bolsheviks were superior to the Young Communists in the underground. [See Vol. VII, p. 406M] . . . Composer Dmitri Shostakovich was assailed by *Izvestia* Dec. 8 for his *Twenty-four Preludes & Fuges for the Piano*, which, it said, showed "a significant retreat from" the "realistic position" he took after a party warning in 1948. [See p. 21K; Vol. X, 79D]

History Project. 1,000 of the world's leading scholars will collaborate in a 3 million-word, 6-vol. cultural & scientific history of mankind, it was announced in New York Dec. 17. The 5-year project is sponsored by UNESCO, which will contribute $400,000 but not be officially connected with it. It will be run by an Intl. Comm. for a Scientific & Cultural History of Mankind with Prof. Paulo E. de Berredo Carneiro, Brazil's UNESCO delegate, as chairman. Dr. Ralph E. Turner, Yale history professor, will be chief editor. The commission expects $200,000 from non-UN foundations & individuals. [See pp. 351E, 18D]

Music. Gian-Carlo Menotti's *Amahl & the Night Visitors*, first opera composed for television, was given a world première on the NBC TV network in N.Y. Dec. 24. [See p. 319L] . . . Americans are becoming "the world's most avid consumers of symphonies," the *Wall St. Journal* reported Dec. 18. More than 30 million paid admission for "serious" music concerts this year. $45 million in box office receipts are anticipated for 1952, compared with $40 million for pro baseball. [See p. 367F]

Films. The Natl. Board of Review of Motion Pictures Dec. 17 named Paramount's *A Place in the Sun* the year's outstanding picture [see p. 288D]. The Japanese *Rashomon (In the Forest)* was honored as best import, Richard Basehart best actor for *Fourteen Hours*, Jan Sterling best actress for *The Big Carnival* (originally released as *Ace in the Hole*) and T. E. B. Clarke of England best scenarist for *The Lavender Hill Mob*. [See Vol. X, p. 418N] . . . Most popular film actor & actress of year among British audiences, according to *Kinematograph Weekly* survey Dec. 19: Stewart Granger, Glynis Johns. [See Vol. X, p. 418N] . . . 20th Century-Fox will not exhibit *The Desert Fox* in Germany without approval of U.S. Hq., a U.S. High Comm. spokesman said in Bonn Dec. 12. The film has been accused of glorifying German militarism. [See p. 351G]

Science Writer Prizes. Winners of $1,000 science writing awards of American Assn. for the Advancement of Science, announced Dec. 14: Victor Cohn of *Minneapolis Tribune* for series on old age; John Lear, *Collier's* associate editor, for article on atomic medical research. [See Vol. X, p. 419B]

NEW EXECUTIVES IN ARTS & SCIENCE

Organization	Executive	Post	Date
American Academy of Pediatrics	Dr. Warren W. Quillian of Coral Gables, Fla.	Pres.	Oct. 24
American Cancer Society	Dr. Chas. C. Lund	Pres.	Oct. 26
American College of Surgeons	Dr. Harold L. Foss of Danville, Pa.	Pres.	Nov. 8
American Natl. Theater & Academy	Helen Hayes	Pres.*	Oct. 22
American Inst. of Chemical Engrs.	Wm. I. Burt of B. F. Goodrich Chemical Co.	Pres.	Dec. 3
American Society of Mechanical Engrs.	Reginald J. S. Pigott of Pittsburgh	Pres.	Nov. 26
Authors League of America	Rex T. Stout	Pres.	Nov. 14
Broadcast Music, Inc.	Carl Haverlin	Pres.*	Oct. 16
Albert Einstein Medical Center of Philadelphia	Dr. Pascal F. Lucchesi	Medical director	Nov. 2
Forgn. Press Assn.	Arnold Vas Dias of Niewe Rotterdamse Courant	Pres.	Oct. 10
Jersey Journal, Jersey City, N.J.	Walter M. Dear	Pblshr.	Oct. 22
Louisville Courier-Journal	Jas. S. Pope	Exec. ed.†	Nov. 28
	John F. Day	Mng. ed.	Nov. 28
Louisville Times	Jas. S. Pope	Exec. ed.	Nov. 28
	Norman E. Isaacs	Mng. ed.†	Nov. 28
Nashville Banner	Ed Clark Ford	Mng. ed.¶	Dec. 24
Natl. Bur. of Standards	Dr. Allen V. Astin	Actg.Dir.§	Oct. 11
Natl. Science Foundation's Natl. Science Board	Chester I. Barnard, Rockefeller Found. pres.	Chrmn.	Dec. 3
N.Y. Times	Turner Catledge	Mng. ed.[1]	Dec. 17
Society for Crippled Children & Adults	Dr. Wm. T. Sanger, pres, of Medical Coll. of Va.	Pres.	Oct. 5
U. of Chicago Press	Morton M. Grodzins[2]	Editor	Dec. 3
RESIGNATIONS & RETIREMENTS			
American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	Sydney H. Coleman	Exec. vice pres.[3]	Dec. 20
Harvard College Observatory	Dr. Harlow Shapley	Director[4]	Nov. 4
Krebiozen Research Foundation	Dr. Andrew C. Ivy	Pres.[5]	Dec. 15
London Daily Mirror[6]	H. G. Bartholomew, 67	Chrmn.	Dec. 15
San Francisco Symphony Orchestra	Pierre Monteux	Conductor[7]	Oct. 10
DISMISSAL			
N.Y.C. Opera Co.	Laszlo Halasz	Musical director[8]	Dec. 21

*Reelected †Advances from mng. ed. ‡Succeeds A. Y. Aaronson, retiring, who will write a Times column ¶Succeeds Mortimer Thull who died in fire that destroyed his home §See p. 276C [1]See p. 391M-N [2]Continues as Asst. Political Science Prof.; Wm. T. Couch charged he (Couch) was dismissed as director of university's publishing branch last year for approving publication of Grodzins' book "Americans Betrayed," a criticism of U.S. incarceration of Japanese-Americans during World War II [3]Effective Jan. 1 [4]Effective next fall [5]Continues as research adviser; see p. 375A-B [6]Tabloid claiming world record circulation of more than 4 million daily [7]Effective April 1952 [8]Halasz said Dec. 23 that his contract ran through the end of 1952 and he would fight the ouster in the courts.

NEW YORK THEATER

OPENINGS

LEGEND OF LOVERS by Jean Anouilh, adapted from French by Kitty Black. Fantasy about boy & girl (Orpheus & Eurydice) who prefer death to life. Presented by Theatre Guild. Directed by Peter Ashmore. In cast: Dorothy McGuire, Hugh Griffith, Richard Burton, Noel William. At Plymouth Dec. 26. (0-6-2)*

THE WILD DUCK by Henrik Ibsen. Adapted by Max Faber. A tragedy about a meddling idealist who spreads unhappiness and a young girl who is going blind. Revived by N.Y.C. Theatre Co. Directed by Morton DaCosta. In cast: Maurice Evans, Kent Smith, Mildred Dunnock, Diana Lynn. Dec. 26 for limited engagement at City Center. (2-3-3)*

*First figure—favorable reviews; 2d—mixed; 3d—unfavorable. [See p. 335L]

OBITUARIES

Pierre Bernus, 70, prewar editor of *Journal des Debats* (suspended after war); Dec. 22 in Paris.

Robert J. Caldwell, 76, cotton industrialist, author, post-World War I U.S. ind'l comm. in Europe; Dec. 21, Winter Park, Fla.

Walter William Colpitts, 78, Canadian-born authority on railroads, consulting engineer; Dec. 23 in Princeton, N.J.

Dr. Clem Davies, 61, English-born international radio evangelist; Dec. 21 in Los Angeles, of malaria.

Allan M. Hirsh, 73, author of the Yale song *Boola-Boola,* pipe industrialist; Dec. 21 in New York.

Thomas P. Hoier, 74, who set record of 987 consecutive performances as Baptista in *Kiss Me Kate;* Dec. 20 in New York.

Charles Frank Hughes, 60, *N.Y. Times* business news editor for 24 years; Dec. 24 in New Rochelle, N.Y.

Alleyne Ireland, 80, author, secy. to Joseph Pulitzer, brother of composer John Ireland; Dec. 23 in Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

Col. Charles Darley Miller, 83, "oldest living polo player," taught Duke of Windsor the game; Dec. 22 in London.

George Monroe Moffett, 68, bd. chrmn. of Corn Products Refining Co.; Dec. 22 in New York.

Renato Prunas, Italian Amb. to Egypt; Dec. 25 in Cairo.

James A. Rafferty, 65, v.p. & director of Union Carbide & Carbon Corp., aided U.S. synthetic rubber, Atomic Energy programs; Dec. 19 in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

John W. Rath, 79, co-founder of Rath Packing Co., one of largest U.S. independent meat packers; Dec. 22 in Waterloo, Ia.

Frederick A. Wallis, 82, U.S. Immigration Comm. 1918-22, ex-N.Y. City official; Dec. 22 in Paris, Ky.

Barton Yarborough, 50, radio-TV actor; Dec. 19, Burbank, Cal.

SPORTS

Football. The Los Angeles Rams defeated the Cleveland Browns, 24-17, in the Natl. Football League playoff in Los Angeles Dec. 23 before a crowd of 59,475. [See p. 408K]

UP's NFL All-Star team announced Dec. 20:

OFFENSIVE	DEFENSIVE
Ends—Elroy (Crazy Legs) Hirsch, LA; Dante Lavelli, Cleve.	Ends—Len Ford, Cleve.; Leon Hart, Detroit
Tackles—Lou Groza, Cleve.; DeWitt (Tex) Coulter, NY Giants	Tackles—Arnie Weinmeister, NY Giants; Geo. Connor, Chicago Bears
Guards—Dick Barwegan, Chicago Bears; Lou Creekmur, Detroit	Guards—Bill Willis, Cleve.; Jon Baker, NY Giants
Center—Frank Gatski, Cleve.	Line-backers—Tony Adamle, Cleve.; Chuck Bednarik, Phila.
Backs—Otto Graham, Cleve. (chosen by UP panel Dec. 21 as year's best NFL player); Doak Walker, Detroit; Dub Jones, Cleve.; Dan Towler, Los Angeles	Halfbacks—Otto Schnellbacker, NY Giants; Warren Lahr, Cleve.
	Safety—Emlen Tunnell, NY Giants

College all-star game for Shrine charities in Miami Dec. 25: South 35, North 7. [See Vol. X, p. 428K]

Joe Kulharich quit Dec. 20 as San Francisco U. football coach. His team was unbeaten this year. [See Vol. VIII, p. 36K]

Horse Racing. $25,000 Golden Gate Handicap in Albany, Calif. Dec. 15: won by Isador Bieber's Palestinian, Willie Shoemaker up, for $15,250. [See pp. 376G, 232J] . . . Betting at U.S. tracks increased 14.3%, attendance 14.4% this year, UP reported Dec. 11. Bets totaled $1,585,763,111, attendance 26,090,437. Betting at horse tracks is legal in 23 states. [See p. 376G] . . . Western Union announced Dec. 13 it will restrict transmission of racing news over leased wires starting Feb. 1 to press associations, licensed radio & TV stations and publications with 2d class mailing privileges. [See p. 376M-N]

Tennis. Top USLTA rankings for 1951: men's (Dec. 15)—Tony Trabert of Cincinnati in singles (Vic Seixas 2d, Dick Savitt 3d), Billy Talbert of New York & Gardnar Mulloy of Coral Gables, Fla. in doubles; women's (Dec. 16)—Maureen Connolly of San Diego, Calif. in singles; Doris Hart of Coral Gables & Shirley Fry of Akron, in doubles. [See 288P, 232J-K, 224M; X, 412K]

Figure-skating team for the Olympics named by the U.S. Dec. 22 after tryouts in Indianapolis: women's—Sonya Klopper of Long Island City, N.Y., Tenley Albright of Newton Center, Mass. & Virginia Baxter of Detroit; men's—Dick Button of Englewood, N.J., James Grogan of Colorado Springs & Hayes Alan Jenkins of Akron, O.; teams—Lois Waring of Baltimore & Pvt. Michael McGean of Shaker Heights, O.; Carol Peters & Pvt. Daniel Ryan of Washington. [See pp. 392C, 104F]

Saul Rogovin of Chicago led American League pitchers in the earned run averages last season with 2.78 for each 9 innings pitched (Dec. 26 report). [See pp. 408L, 160J-K] . . . **Connie Mack,** retired Phila. Athletics mgr., was 89 Dec. 23. [See Vol. X, p. 336C-D] . . . **Arnold (Mickey) Owen,** catcher, was released by the Chicago Cubs Dec. 21. [See Vol. X, p. 428P] . . . **Tommy Henrich** signed Dec. 17 as a WJZ-TV sportscaster in New York. [See pp. 392E, 399M-N] . . . **Bill Spivey,** 7-foot-tall All-America basketball center at Kentucky U., was suspended at his own request Dec. 24 because New York authorities have sought to question him in connection with game-throwing. He denied implication in the scandals, demanded that his name be cleared. [See pp. 400C, 87J-K] . . . **Negroes** must be permitted to play on a Houston, Tex. municipal golf course previously restricted to whites, a U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans ruled Dec. 20. [See p. 384J; Vol. VIII, 28G]

MISCELLANEOUS

Coal Mine Blast. 119 men were killed Dec. 21 in an explosion in the New Orient No. 2 mine of the Chicago, Wilmington & Franklin Coal Co. near West Frankfort, Ill. It is one of the largest shaft coal mines in the world. The blast was the 4th there since 1928, worst in U.S. since 195 miners lost their lives at Mather, Pa. in May 1928. (U.S. all-time record: 361 killed near Monongah, W. Va. Dec. 6, 1907; worst mine explosion anywhere: 1,060 killed at Courrieres, France March 10, 1906.) Cecil Sanders, 44, was rescued unconscious but alive Dec. 24, 58 hours after the explosion. UMW Pres. John L. Lewis said at the scene Dec. 24 he wished Congressmen who had blocked safety legislation could see the bodies. Congress has never passed a compulsory mine-safety law. [See 352M-N; VII, 97F]

Bennett Killed in Iran Crash. Dr. Henry Garland Bennett, 65, Administrator of the U.S. Technical Cooperation Admin. (Point 4 program) and 20 other persons were killed Dec. 22 when their 4-engine Egyptian airliner crashed near Teheran, Iran. Bennett was touring the Mideast in connection with the program. He was on leave as Okla. A. & M. president. Among the 7 other Americans killed were his wife; Benjamin Hardy, 45, TCA's public affairs officer credited with having suggested the Point 4 program; James T. Mitchell, 39, the TCA's Audio-Visual Program director; Albert Cyril Crilley, 49, Bennett's assistant, and Dr. Louis Henrik Jordal, U. of Mich. botanist believed to be on a UN mission. [See p. 408M, Vol. X, 365E]

Other Disasters. At least 28 persons, 15 of them children, died in a fire at a Christmas party for needy & orphan children in Tijuana, Mexico Dec. 22 . . . 8 persons were killed in a tenement fire in Cincinnati Dec. 24. [See p. 400G] . . . 11 persons died in a fire aboard the outward-bound Danish motorship *Erria* on the Columbia River at Astoria, Ore. Dec. 20. [See p. 392L]

Florida Bombing. Harry T. Moore, 46, Negro educator & state coordinator for the Natl. Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People, was killed and his wife seriously injured by a bomb which wrecked their home in Mims, Fla. Dec. 25. Moore had campaigned to have Sheriff Willis V. McCall prosecuted for killing a handcuffed Negro prisoner. [See pp. 400M, 368P]

Married. Patti Andrews, of the 3 singing Andrews sisters, & Walter Weschler, their conductor, Los Angeles Dec. 25 (2d for both) . . . Ex-French Premier Edouard Daladier, 67, & Jeanne Boucoiran, 44, Merchant Marine Ministry official, near Paris Dec. 22. His first wife died in 1932. [See Vol. VI, p. 367J] . . . NYC Council Pres. Rudolph Halley, 38, & Janice Brosh, 31, his ex-nurse, in New York Dec. 28 (his 3d, her 1st). [See 356H]

Millionth auto death in U.S. recorded by AP: Elma H. Wischmeier, 52, spinster, who was struck by a tractor-trailer in Cleveland Dec. 11, died Dec. 21. First auto traffic death: H. H. Bliss, pedestrian, in New York Sept. 13, 1899. [See p. 409F-G]